(b) the percentage of women amongst them?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). According to the publication "Census of India 1990-91: Provisional Population Totals", in Madhya Pradesh, the percentage of literates to the estimated population aged 7 years and above is 43.45%; the corresponding figure for women is 28.39%.

News item Captioned "Aarakshit Kota Poora Na Hone Se Shikshkon Main Rosh"

2756. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "Aarakshit Kota Poora Na Hone Se Shikshkon Main Rosh" appearing in Veer Arjun dated 25 July, 1991;

(b) if so, the reasons for not appointing SC/ST teacher in selection grade; and

(c) the steps being taken to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. Selection Grade has already been granted to the SC/ST teachers as per rules for the period from 5.9.71 to 31.12.85. Efforts are on to locate the left out cases, if any, for the grant of Selection Grade from the due date.

[*English*]

Incidence Of Filaria

2757. SHRI RABI RAY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons suffering from Filaria in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Union Government have taken preventive measures to eradicate Filaria under the National Filaria Control Programme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a). As per reports received from the Control Units, Clinics and Survey Units established in various States/UTs, the number of persons suffering from Filaria for the last three years, state-wise is as under: